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SUBJECT: IN-STORE PROMOTION: TAH SHING DEPARTMENT STORE

1. TAH SHING DEPARTMENT STORE HAS INFORMED EMBASSY THAT DUE TO CONSTRUCTION DELAYS, NEW PRESIDENT DEPARTMENT STORE WILL NOT BE COMPLETED UNTIL JULY 1975 AND HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY TO POSTPONE IN-STORE PROMOTION UNTIL THAT TIME. POST COMMERCIAL OFFICER HAS VISITED NEW STORE SITE AND CONCURS THAT STORE WILL NOT BE READY UNTIL LATE JUNE OR EARLY JULY 1975. POST HAS ADVISED TAH SHING THAT PROMOTION IN JULY WOULD REQUIRE CONCURRENCE FROM DOC SINCE PROPOSED CHANGE IN DATES WOULD PUT PROGRAM EVENT INTO FY '76.

2. TAH SHING DEPARTMENT STORE PARTICIPATED IN CETDC SPONSORED CONSUMER PRODUCTS TRADE MISSION TO U.S. IN FEBRUARY 1974, AND PURCHASED APPROXIMATELY US\$300,000 WORTH OF U.S. PRODUCTS. BULK OF PRODUCTS HAVE ARRIVED AND SOME ARE ALREADY ON SALE IN THE OLD STORE. OTHER PRODUCTS WILL REMAIN IN STORAGE UNTIL OPENING OF NEW STORE. JUST THE SAME, TAH SHING AWARE THAT AT LEAST US\$100,000 MUST BE REORDERED FOR SALE DURING PROMOTION IN NEW STORE.

3. EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS FUNDING THIS EVENT IN FY '76. ALTERNATIVELY, CAN POST COMMIT FUNDS LATE FY '75 TO BE CARRIED OVER INTO FY '76. PLEASE ADVISE.
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